

SENATE RECORD VOTE ANALYSIS

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1st Session

Vote No. 11

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CLINTON IMPEACHMENT/Present Transcribed Evidence Only (No Video)

SUBJECT: Impeachment trial of William Jefferson Clinton for perjury and obstruction of justice. Murray motion in the nature of a substitute to Division III of the House Managers motion for the admission of evidence, the appearance of witnesses, and the presentation of evidence.

ACTION: MOTION REJECTED, 27-73

SYNOPSIS: On December 19, 1998, the House of Representatives impeached (indicted) President Clinton for perjury and obstruction of justice based on his actions and statements in relation to a Federal civil rights sexual harassment lawsuit that was filed against him by a former employee, Paula Corbin Jones. Ms. Jones alleged that in 1991, when she was an Arkansas State employee, then-Arkansas Governor Clinton exposed himself to her in a crude sexual advance which she refused, and that she subsequently and consequently suffered numerous adverse employment actions and was defamed. During the discovery phase of the lawsuit, the presiding judge ordered President Clinton to answer under oath certain questions posed by Ms. Jones' attorneys regarding any history he had of involvement in sexual relationships with State or Federal employees (such lines of questioning in sexual harassment lawsuits are a common means of establishing whether patterns of similar sexual harassment exist, including patterns of reward and punishment based upon the responses of subordinate employees to sexual advances). Those questions, which were posed in January, 1998, included questions regarding his relationship with a former White House intern, Monica Lewinsky (President Clinton had met Ms. Lewinsky and had begun a relationship with her when she was an intern). Later, in August, 1998, Ms. Lewinsky testified before a Federal grand jury, under a grant of immunity, regarding an affidavit she had filed in the *Jones* case. She gave detailed testimony and provided extensive corroborating physical evidence of a sexual relationship with the President. The President also testified before that grand jury in August. His testimony concerned his relationship with Ms. Lewinsky, his testimony before the Federal court in the sexual harassment lawsuit, and actions he took and statements he made before and after testifying in that lawsuit. The House impeachment of the President for obstruction of justice is based on numerous charges that he illegally tried to conceal the nature of his relationship with Ms. Lewinsky from the Federal court and the grand jury,

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YEAS (27)		NAYS (73)			NOT VOTING (0)	
Republicans (2 or 4%)	Democrats (25 or 56%)	Republicans (53 or 96%)	Democrats (20 or 44%)		Republicans (0)	Democrats (0)
Campbell	Akaka	Abraham	Hutchinson	Baucus		
Snowe	Biden	Allard	Hutchison	Bayh		
	Bingaman	Ashcroft	Inhofe	Breaux		
	Boxer	Bennett	Jeffords	Bryan		
	Conrad	Bond	Kyl	Byrd		
	Daschle	Brownback	Lott	Cleland		
	Dodd	Bunning	Lugar	Durbin		
	Dorgan	Burns	Mack	Edwards		
	Harkin	Chafee	McCain	Feingold		
	Inouye	Cochran	McConnell	Feinstein		
	Johnson	Collins	Murkowski	Graham		
	Kennedy	Coverdell	Nickles	Hollings		
	Kerrey	Craig	Roberts	Kerry		
	Landrieu	Crapo	Roth	Kohl		
	Lautenberg	DeWine	Santorum	Leahy		
	Levin	Domenici	Sessions	Lieberman		
	Lincoln	Enzi	Shelby	Moynihan		
	Mikulski	Fitzgerald	Smith, Bob	Schumer		
	Murray	Frist	Smith, Gordon	Wellstone		
	Reed	Gorton	Specter	Wyden		
	Reid	Gramm	Stevens			
	Robb	Grams	Thomas			
	Rockefeller	Grassley	Thompson			
	Sarbanes	Gregg	Thurmond			
	Torricelli	Hagel	Voinovich			
		Hatch	Warner			
		Helms				

EXPLANATION OF ABSENCE:

- 1—Official Business
- 2—Necessarily Absent
- 3—Illness
- 4—Other

SYMBOLS:

- AY—Announced Yea
- AN—Announced Nay
- PY—Paired Yea
- PN—Paired Nay

and its impeachment of him for perjury is based on charges of numerous perjurious statements in his grand jury testimony, including charges of perjury regarding his relationship with Ms. Lewinsky and his efforts to obstruct justice in the sexual harassment case against him.

The Murray substitute motion to division III of the House Managers motion would strike the language to allow videotaped evidence to be presented, and would insert language in lieu thereof to allow the parties to present before the Senate, for a period of time not to exceed 6 hours, equally divided, all or portions of the parts of the written transcripts of the oral depositions of Monica Lewinsky, Vernon Jordan, and Sidney Blumenthal.

Division III of the House Managers motion would allow the parties to present before the Senate, for a period of time not to exceed 6 hours, equally divided, all or portions of the parts of the videotapes of the oral depositions of Monica Lewinsky, Vernon Jordan, and Sidney Blumenthal admitted into evidence (see vote Nos. 5 and 8). Additionally, the House Managers would be permitted to reserve a portion of their presentation time.

NOTE: Manager McCollum offered a motion on behalf of the House Managers for the admission of evidence, the appearance of witnesses, and the presentation of evidence. Immediately after the motion was offered Senator Lott moved to divide the motion into its three constituent parts. After the Senate voted on the first two divisions (see vote Nos. 9-10), Senator Murray offered her motion to the third division. After the rejection of the Murray motion, the Senate agreed to division III (see vote No. 12).

No argument or debate occurred on the Murray motion.